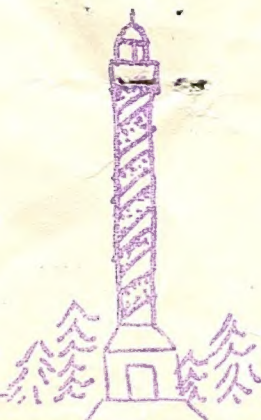


Astor



Column

John Jacob Astor School

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SCHOOL YEAR IN REVIEW

This school year has been a busy one for everyone around Astor. First to get things started, we elected our student body officers and our yell leaders. There was the usual campaign speeches, posters to liven the election.

Almost every month there has been some big event--something to be working on. Groups have appeared over the radio stations at various times. Several 8th graders put on a play in honor of Book Week over KAST. Then others sang over KVAS in a March of Dimes Program. Our boys chorus in particular sang at quite a few places and made a hit.

This year the primary grades gave the Thanksgiving Program, an annual event at Astor. Then at Christmas the 7th and 8th graders put on the Christmas program "Thirty Minutes with Santa Claus". The mixed chorus, boys chorus, girls chorus and special girls chorus all took part.

After the holidays we settled down to the long grind with just a 3-day vacation in March. We had skating parties, took part in the county spelling bee over KAST, with a continuous program of sport activities to keep everyone busy.

Our school band of about 40 pieces played at the tournament basketball games with the other school bands, and they will also play at the Awards Assembly.

In April the eighth grade play "Just Ducky" a comedy, was presented and much enjoyed. Then during Music Week the intermediate grades gave a musical pageant "From Immigrant Boy to Millionaire", the life of John Jacob Astor.

The year has flown by very fast, and now the one big event left is Class Day Exercises for our present 8th graders. We wish them much success as they leave our school and go on to Astoria High. We will miss them.

To all we hope you have a very pleasant summer, and we'll be seeing you again in the fall when another school year begins.

FISHERETTES CHOSEN

Next year 18 new neat stepping girls in purple and gold outfits will be seen marching in the Freshmen-Sophomore drill unit, The Fisherettes. Six of these girls who'll be performing in all kinds of weather (probably showers) will be from Astor. Out of the many who qualified but were screened out because of band and other various reasons, Georgia Moberg, Sheryl Baker, Sonja Halsan, Diane Hansen, JoAnne Peschl and Darlene Chenoweth were picked by the voting of the eighth grade girls. They were screened and chosen on these points: a 2.5 or better grade average, dependable, responsible, co-operative, available for all programs, posture, co-ordination and school attendance.

TWO ASSEMBLIES PLAINED

June 2nd is a big day around Astor, as there will be two assemblies. The first one at 10:30 in the morning is the "Awards Assembly", at which certificates will be given to the Safety Patrol, awards to the Poppy Poster Contest winners, and letters for sport activities. At this time also the 8th grade boy and 8th grade girl who are to receive the American Legion Awards will be announced and presented with their certificates. For this occasion the Astor school band will play.

At 1:30 that day we will have our second assembly--the Promotion Exercises for the 8th grade. Music for this event will be furnished by the 7th grade girls. The Class History is being written by Ramona Salminen, Joanne Peschl, John Turpeinen, and LeRoy Moksness. Students writing up the Class Will are Charlotte DeAtley, Sonja Halsan, Dick Rees and Charles Lindstrom.

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COMING EVENTS

May 22nd -- School Picnic.
May 27th -- Exams start.
May 30th -- Memorial Day, no school.
June 2nd -- Awards Assembly at 10:30 a.m.
June 2nd -- Promotion Exercises at 1:30.
June 4th -- Report Cards--School ends.



G. A. A. ITEMS

There have been seven girls who earned their letters this year. They are Carol Hughes, Diane Hansen, Phyllis Jacobson, Joanne Peschl, Judy Steele, Sheryl Baker, and Dorothy Mikala. Those girls earning certificates were Joanne Steele, Darlene Aho and Joyce Johnson.

The letters were earned by participating in various activities offered by the G. A. A. Forty-nine girls took part in posture, 34 in folk dancing, 40 in kickpin, 6 in bicycling, 34 in volleyball and 25 in hiking.

To earn a letter the girls must have at least 85 points. Ten or five points may be earned in one activity. To earn a certificate 50 points must be earned.

ASTOR'S SPORTS OF '51-'52.

Astor put in a good football season with one win, a pair of ties, and one loss. To start the ball rolling, we defeated the Star of the Sea 6 to 0 in the opening game of the City Jamboree last September. We then started the regular season by defeating Lewis and Clark Consolidated team 42 to 0. We tied the games with Lewis and Clark city and the Star of the Sea. On November 2nd we played Capt. Robert Gray for second place but lost 20 - 13. High point men for the season were John Turpeinen with 20 points and Dick Rees and Larry Kegg with 12 points each.

Now for a look at basketball. We had a good season with 11 wins and 6 losses. We

one to Star of the Sea 7 to 10 in the Jamboree. We then started the regular season. We played 18 games in all. It is interesting to note that we scored a total of 539 points in all games played against 437 points of our opponents.

Astor won the City championship in basketball, but lost the County Crown to Warrenton in a close game 22 to 21.

Points scored by individual players were:

Rees	138
Ponsness	12
Davis	100
Alderman	16
Thompson	101
Lindstrom, R.	4
Lindstrom, C.	32
Olson	7
Turpeinen	102
Moksness	19

There isn't too much to say about our track team, because we haven't had any real practices and haven't been to any meets as yet.

Astor's baseball team is looking very good, although we haven't had too many practices and only played one game.

Thursday, May 15th we played a baseball game with Warrenton and waxed their effective but slow ball team 10 to 5. The winning pitcher for Astor was Thompson and the battery for Astor was Rees and Thompson.

Our hearty thanks go to Mr. Wright and to Mr. Parnell for their grand work in helping our team this past year.

A last minute change was made in G.A.A. news. Georgia Moberg and Ramona Salminen will receive certificates and Darlene Chenoweth a letter along with others listed.

POPPY CONTEST WINNERS

Again this year Astor students have won honors in the Poppy Contest conducted by the American Legion Auxiliary. Winning posters were sent to be judged for state prizes.

Winners are Sharon Biggers, first prize; Robin Klep, second; Marian Hauke, third, in the group consisting of fifth and sixth grade students.

In the second group, seventh grade students, Audrey Moberg son first; Denise Nygaard, second; and Gayle Carpenter third.

CONGRATULATE US!!!

Riddle: Which is worth more, a silver dollar or a paper one?

Answer: The paper one. Before you put it in your pocket, you double it. When you

OUR ROVING REPORTER REPORTS

Here is our last chance to interview students while they are still members of the student body at Astor. These present 8th graders surely do have distinct likes and dislikes as you will see.

Judy Steele is an 8th grader, 5 ft. 6 in. tall, weighs 104 lbs. She has brown eyes, black hair. Her ambition is to get fat. Her favorite food is fried trout, song is "A Guy Is a Guy"; pastime is being lazy, and her hobby warfy records. You hear her say "Oh, charge", very often.

Another girl is Diane Hansen, 5 ft. 6½ in. tall and weighs 128 lbs. She has blue eyes and blond hair. Her favorite saying is "Take a good look; it might be your last." She like to eat chicken; spends spare time tal ing on the phone to Ross. Favorite song is "Garden in the Rain". Her favorite class is English.

Arleen Schaffer's ambition is to be a nurse in the armed forces. Arleen is 5 ft. 3, has blue eyes and light brown hair. Her favorite pastime is boys; class is history; saying "Take a Powder"; food is steak, and song Atytime by Dean Martin.

The last girl interviewed was Ramona Salminen. She also has blue eyes and blonde hair, height 5ft. 4 in., weighs 115 lbs. Her ambition is to teach. Her favorite saying is "Oh Piffle", song "Tell Me Why"; pastime, tennis with Phyllis, and class Home Ec. She likes to eat fried clams better than any other food.

Jimmy Thompson (called "Tulie") is 5 ft. 9 in. tall and weighs 119 lbs. He has hazel eyes and dark blonde hair. His ambition is to get some place. Favorite saying is "Warfy", food is rabbit, song "Delecto", pastime, working; class English and sport basketball and baseball.

David Alderman is 5 ft. 6 in. tall weighs 115 lbs. has blue eyes and dark blonde hair. His ambition is to see the world. He likes to eat roast beef, enjoys listening to "I'm yours", and says "Charge". His favorite time is spent loafing, and as for studies he prefers science.

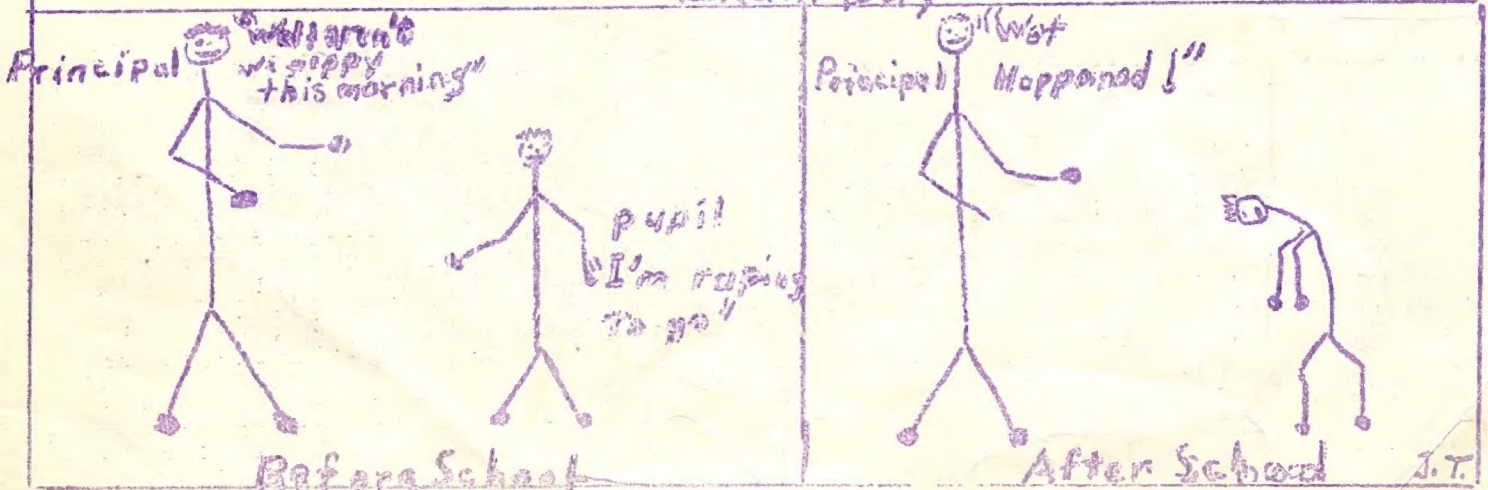
Dick Rees is tall, 5 ft. 11 in. and weighs 145 lbs. Dick's ambition is to be a good basketball player. He has brown eyes, dark hair, and spends his time with his girl friend. For food he likes fried rabbit, his favorite song is "Blacksmith Blues".

The last student interviewed was Alfred ("ole") Olson, who is 5 ft. 6½ in. tall and weighs 138 lbs. Alfred has blue eyes, and blonde hair. You usually hear him saying "Pretty Goony". During his past-time he makes model boats. His favorite song is "Picnic Song"; food beef steak; and class science. His ambition is to be a baseball star.

RADIO AT ASTOR

Bob and Ray -- Freddy W. and Mike H.
Just Plain Bill -- Bill Westfall.
Music Box -- The band.
Squirrel cage -- Seventh boys music class.
Suspense -- Waiting for grades.
Dangerous Assignment -- Social Studies reports.
Truth or Consequences -- Miss Jorgensen's class.
Contented Hour -- the Library.
Fun Factory -- Shop.
World Today -- Science.
Against the Storm -- Mr. Wright's room.
Grand Slam -- the office.
Evening roundup -- last period.
Final edition -- last of report cards.

Exam Day



FROM HERE 'N THERE

Astor's Perfect 7th Grade Boy.

Hair	Jon Tucker
Brains	Stanley Simson
Eyes (blue)	Don Harmon
Eyes (brown)	No brown eyes among these 7th grade boys.
Nose	Dennis Belcher
Handsome ness	Hugo Wedekind
Body	Benny Johnson
Legs	Jim Goldie
Lips	Benny Johnson
Personality	Marvin Quashnick

JUST WONDERING!!

Looking up copies of papers of previous years and thinking of all our fun we have had around Astor, we of the eighth grade found some mighty peculiar things.

We wonder what happened to Chuck and Vickie's perfect attendance? They did have it in the fourth grade. "Harvey" also does show up quite a bit.

Now we know why Jon Englund was bandaged up so much last year. Judy, that Red Cross Club came in handy, didn't it?

Diane "The Angel" was in so many plays especially around Christmas time; that is--well-- some people sure don't live up to their titles, do they? Also Chuck as Joseph.

What happened to Dave's voice? Has he lost it singing to too many girls?

We wonder if Georgia has a wig this year?

How about poet Carol Hughes coming along? Are there any more masterpieces? Oh, yes, do you have any, Turpy?

Are Chuck and Ross still working on their G. A. A. letters? They had better hurry, if so.

We wonder what ever happened to Rosa Lindbergh? Did she move away?

Carol, do you still want your grocery slip signed as you did once upon a time?

Does Marie still get valentines from Pete, especially at student body meetings?

Does Arlene Schaffer ever read this ASTOR COLUMN?

We would like to know how many boy friends Joyce has had this year. Do you even know, Joyce?

PEOPLE AND SONGS -- 7th Grade

Cry -- Hugh Wedekind
Shlopoke -- Sheryl Hoagland
Shrimp Boats -- Marvin Q. and Gail H.
Singing in the Rain--Mary Lou Haggbloom
Beautiful Brown Eyes -- Joanne S. and
Dennis Belcher
Darktown Strutter's Ball--Patty Howe
School Days -- Jimmie Goldie

THIS IS MURDER

We'll begin with box, the plural is boxes,
But the plural of ox is oxen not oxes.

One foul is a goose, the plural is geese,
Yet the plural of moose is never meese.

If I show you a foot, you show me two feet,

And I give you a boot, would a pair be called "beet"?

Then the masculine are he, his, him,
But imagine she shis, shim. Any questions?

SUMMER PLANS

Dennis -- Warf and snarf.
Benny -- Fish
Skipper -- Bother my mom and dad.
Peggy -- Sleep till 12 every morning.
Joanne S. -- fool around.
Donald H. -- go to summer school.
Audrey -- Swim.
Phyllis -- Stay home.
Suzie E. -- Play.
Gail H. -- Go to my Aunt's.
Diane H. -- go to Seattle.
Arlene M. -- go warfing.
Miss Stevens -- go to Klamath Falls.
Denise -- Wip up puddles.

SECRET AMBITIONS

Joanne S. -- zoo keeper
Suzie E. -- Duck trainer
Delores Berg -- Nurse.
Patty Howe -- piano teacher.
Rosalie H. -- Dentist Assistant.
Don Harmon -- Pilot
Dennis Belcher -- Pro-football player.

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We think you know it,  
But we'll tell you anyway;  
Here's hoping all of you  
Have happy vacation days.

Sheryl, Judy, all the  
Reporters, and Miss Wicks.